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SUBJ: CODEL ZABLOCKI

REF: STATE 308222

1. WE ASSUME THAT REASON KING KHALID AND ENTIRE CABINET UNAVAILABLE DURING CODEL ZABLOCKI'S SCHEDULED SAUDI VISIT JANUARY 12-13 IS BECAUSE THOSE DAYS ARE LOCAL WEEKEDN; HOWEVER, SAME SITUATION, AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, PERTAINS HERE. WE BELIEVE WE WOULD LOOK AWFULLY SILLY GOING TO IRANIANS TO SEEK THEIR AGREEMENT TO CHANGE SUGGESTED REFTEL ON BASIS THAT "SAUDIS NOT PREPARED TO WORK ON THEIR WEEKEND BUT WE HOPE YOU WILL AGREE TO WORK ON YOURS." EVEN IF ONE CAN ASSUME THAT SUCH NOT REALLY THE CASE, WE BELIEVE IT INESCAPABLE THAT IRANIANS WOULD SO CONCLUDE. IN SUCH SITUATION WE BELIEVE THAT COURT WOULD DECLINE SCHEDULE AUDIENCE WITH SHAH ON THE SABBATH, SINCE THIS WOULD SUGGEST IRANIANS LESS PIOUS THAN SAUDIS. ADDITIONALLY, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAS GONE FORWARD WITH ARRANGEMENTS, INCLUDING INVIT-
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ATIONS, FOR DINNER IN HONOR OF CODEL EVENING OF JANUARY 14.

2. IF THERE WERE TIME TO EFFECT CHANGE, AND SCHEDULES HERE FOR PERIOD IN QUESTION, INCLUDING THE SHAH'S, WERE NOT ALREADY SO TIGHT WITH OFFIC-IAL VISITORS, SITUATION MIGHT BE DIFFERENT. BUT,

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ALAS, IT IS NOT.

3. FINALLY, IN LOOKING AT SCHEDULES OF BOTH CODEL ZABLOCKI AND CODEL WILLIAMS/STEVENS WE NOTE THAT IT WOULD BE AT LEAST FEASIBLE TO HAVE CODEL ZABLOCKI REORDER RIYADH AND AMMAN STOPS (STATE 301472, PARA ONE), AND THUS TRAVEL FROM CAIRO TO RIYADH TO AMMAN, AND THENCE TO TEHRAN. FRANKLY, WE BELIEVE JORDANIANS ABLE TO BE MORE FLEXIBLE THAN IRANIANS; INDEED, IF THIS ORDER OF STOPS IS FOLLOWED CODEL VISIT TO JORDAN WOULD COME LATER RATHER THAN EARLIER, WHICH SHOULD MAKE CHANGES EASIER.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION BY NIACT IMMEDIATE MESSAGE PRIOR TO 281100Z DEC 77 THAT CODEL ZABLOCKI VISIT TO IRAN REMAINS JANUARY 13-15 AS STATED IN STATE 301472, WHICH WE NOTE CLAIMS TO BE "FINAL APPROVED ITINERARY FOR CODEL."
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